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In re application of:

David P. Cook

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Enclosed are the following documents regarding the above-identified patent application:

- 1. Amendment After Final; and
- 2. Confirmation postcard.

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Dear Sir:

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In response to the Final Office action mailed August 8, 2002, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

## In the Claims

(Amended) The method of claim 13 wherein the authorization form includes a transformation system to transform the signature phrase by the customer, and wherein the interface receives the second account number and the second signature phrase in a transformed format.

(Amended) The method of claim 13 wherein the authorization form includes 12. information identifying the merchant.

(Amended) The method of claim 22 wherein the authorization form includes information associated with the authorization system.